

An annotated list of Congressman Israel's membership on caucuses, task forces and coalitions. Israel's Leadership positions are also noted.

Democratic Middle Class Working Group, Chairman and Founder: Congressman Israel is the chairman and founder of the working group, which seeks to craft policies that will help middle class families get ahead. In the 110th Congress, the group introduced 13 bills as part of a Middle Class Success Agenda, including Israel's college affordability legislation and elder care support plan.

Sustainable Energy and Environment Caucus, Co-chair and Founder: The SEEC was created to advance policies that promote clean energy technology innovation and domestic manufacturing, develop renewable energy resources, create green collar jobs throughout the product supply-chain, help arrest global warming and protect our nation's clean air, water and natural environment.

House Cancer Caucus, Co-chair: Congressman Israel is the co-chair of this bipartisan caucus, which advances national policies to advance cancer research and improve the treatment and diagnosis of cancer. Improving the quality of life for cancer patients is also important to this caucus.

Long Island Sound Caucus, Co-chair: This bipartisan caucus, consisting of Connecticut and Long Island members of Congress, works to improve the health of the Long Island Sound. This Caucus also facilitates cross-Sound dialogue between New York and Connecticut members in order to build better regional policies.

Defense Energy Working Group, Founder and Member (DEWG): The Defense-Energy Working Group is a bipartisan forum for Members of Congress to discuss the challenges posed to our national defense by America's dependence on fossil fuels and foreign energy sources, and to seek common policy solutions to those challenges.

Democratic Study Group on National Security, Founder and Member (DSGNS): This group works to educate Democratic members on emerging national security issues by hosting monthly discussions with experts in the field. The DSG on National Security focuses on topics such as terrorism, defense, military transformation, post-war Iraq, homeland security, non-proliferation, missile defense, and intelligence. Previous guests include former National Security Advisor Sandy Berger and Lieutenant General Claudia J. Kennedy (U.S. Army, Retired). Visit the Democratic Study Group on National Security website for additional information.

Center Aisle Caucus, Founder and Member: The House Center Aisle Caucus seeks to find common ground among Members on contentious issues.

New Democrat Coalition: The New Democrats believe that fiscal responsibility and balanced budgets are key to our economic prosperity. These centrist, pro-growth members of the House of Representatives work to find mainstream, bipartisan solutions to our nations problems. Visit the New Democrat Coalition's website for additional information.

Defense Study Group Caucus: This bipartisan group holds monthly meetings on defense and national security issues with key intellectual leaders in the subject.

Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease: The Task Force's mission is to improve the lives of those affected by Alzheimer's through increased funding for research and increased support to Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers. The goals of the task force is to: 1) Educate and focus attention on Alzheimer's disease and all its implications; 2) Encourage research funding for the discovery of treatments and a possible cure; 3) Open bipartisan discussion on how to meet the long-term care needs of those afflicted; and, 4) Consider and create meaningful bipartisan legislation.

Coalition for Autism Research and Education: This group educates Members of Congress on the devastating effects of autism and related disorders. It also works to ensure that autism is at the forefront of the Congressional agenda.

Climate Change Caucus: This caucus works to better understand the affect of human activity on the global climate and to lower "greenhouse gas" emissions.

Democratic Israel Working Group (DIWG): Recognizing the importance of the strategic relationship between Israel and the United States, the DIWG promotes pro-Israel policy positions, leads outreach efforts to the Jewish community and is a resource to Democrats in Congress on Middle East issues.

Human Rights Caucus: This bipartisan caucus promotes and works towards broader human rights in all parts of the world. Visit the Human Rights Caucus website for additional information